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Madras City Police Constables' Association.

* 1442 *Q.*—SRI C. KANDASAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether permission has been given for the Madras City Police Constables' Association to function;

(*b*) if not, why?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) It will not be in the public interest to accord permission for the Madras City Police Constables' Association to function."

SRI C. KANDASAMY :—" அந்தமாதிரியாக சங்கம் வைத்துக்கொள்ள வேண்டுமென்று அவர்கள் சர்க்காரிடம் மனுக் கொடுத்துக் கேட்டுக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" அப்படிப்பட்ட கோரிக்கை ஒன்றும் சர்க்கார் முன்னிலையில் இல்லை."

Congress Session at Avadi.

* 1443 *Q.*—SRI P. JEEVANANDAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Government officers and workmen engaged for work in connexion with the supply of electricity to the Avadi Session of the Indian National Congress;

(*b*) whether any of these workmen or officers were engaged for more than the normal hours of work and if so, whether any overtime allowance was paid to them;

(*c*) whether the Indian National Congress executed any agreement in regard to the payment of the expenses incurred by the Government in this connexion; and

(*d*) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place a copy of the agreement on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Nine Officers and 21 workmen, Sir.

" (*b*) Only some of them worked for more than the normal hours on a few days. Overtime allowance will be paid to daily paid workmen only. Others are not entitled to such allowance.

" (*c*) No, Sir. Agreements are not entered into in the case of temporary supply of electricity.

" (*d*) Does not arise."

* 1444 *Q.*—SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM (on behalf of Sri P. Rangaswami Reddiar): Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have paid to the District Board, Chingleput, a sum of Rs. 14,500 out of a sum of Rs. 32,000

spent by the Board in connection with the Congress Session at Avadi and have promised to pay the balance by way of reimbursement; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for so reimbursing?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI:—" (a) & (b) A half grant of Rs. 14,250 was sanctioned to the District Board for carrying out sanitary arrangements in and around Avadi in connection with the Session of the Indian National Congress during January 1955. The grant was sanctioned in view of the poor financial position of the District Board. No promise has been made to reimburse the balance, if any, in the expenditure."

Quarters for Police constables.

9–10 a.m. * 1445 Q.—SRI C. KANDASAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Police constables who are provided with quarters;

(b) the number of Police constables who are not provided with quarters now;

(c) whether there is any proposal to build additional quarters in the current financial year; and

(d) if so, their number and when they will be completed?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—" (a) 12,588.

" (b) 11,408.

" (c) Yes, Sir.

" (d) 389. These quarters are expected to be completed by 1956–57."

Drainage scheme for Kozhikode.

* 1446 Q.—SRI K. MOIDU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the drainage scheme for the Municipal Council at Kozhikode, Malabar, will be included in the Second Five-Year Plan?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" The scheme is included in the First Five-Year Plan."

DR. K. B. MENON:—" Sir, Kozhikode Municipality, though it is the headquarters municipality, is one of the worst municipalities in the district and diseases like filaria are endemic complaints. Since there is no proper water-supply or drainage system, will the Government expedite the scheme?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" Sir, water-supply has been provided. As regards the drainage scheme, the field work relating to supplemental investigation has been completed and we expect the report in April. When that is received, plans and estimates will be sanctioned."